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As a small, locally owned trucking company, we already shoulder a significant tax burden to keep our fleet on the road. We pay heavy highway use taxes, fuel taxes, Oregon Weight Mileage Tax, registration fees, and other regulatory costs that contribute to maintaining our roads and infrastructure. Adding an additional tax on tires would create an unnecessary financial strain on businesses like ours, which are essential to keeping goods moving throughout our region.

Tires are not a luxury—they are a necessary and frequent expense in our industry. Our trucks travel thousands of miles each week, requiring regular tire replacements to ensure safety and compliance. A tire tax would disproportionately impact small and mid-sized carriers, driving up operating costs and ultimately increasing costs for consumers as well.

We urge our local government to reconsider this proposal and recognize the financial burden it would place on trucking businesses that are already paying their fair share.